

**Howard County Consumer Protection  
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
December 5, 2018**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.**

- Present: Marshall McLeod, Richard Green, Sandra Price, Young Smith, Ellen Kuhn & Ronnie Sanderson
- Absent: Robyn Scates

**Welcome.**

**Minutes of the October meeting** - Approved as read. No quorum for November meeting.

**Student Loan Forum**

Becky's second meeting with representative from the Howard County Public Schools and Howard Community College has been postponed due to a possible change of the representative from HCPS. The Board will be advised when the meeting is rescheduled.

**Election of Officers**

The Board unanimously approved Ronnie Sanderson as the new Board Chair and Young Smith as the new Vice-Chair. Both will take office at the January meeting of the Board.

**Announcements and new business:**

- Becky announced that she will be retiring from Howard County Government, effective December 31, 2018. Board meetings will continue with a member of OCP staff serving as Board Secretary. Becky will let Ronnie know who that staff will be as soon as possible. Becky expressed her thanks to the Board for its good work and commitment to OCP.
- OCP has not yet developed plans for any National Consumer Protection Week activities. Becky asked the Board to think about possible activities that would not require a lot of staff time and that the Board could assist with.
- Since the first Wednesday in January is January 2, the Board voted to move its next meeting to January 9.
- Young announced that January 13 is Korean American Day. February 2 starts the Lunar New Year. LoKA will be working with representative of the Chinese community and other to plan a Lunar New Year celebration.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:31.**

**The next meeting of the Consumer Protection Advisory Board will be held at 7pm on Wednesday, January 9 at the DCRS office.**